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COLTON'S THREE YEARS IN CALIFORNIA.

[CONTINUED.]

Mr. Colton was death on gamblers, and the baton of Alcalde was often laid across the board, and with one fell swoop, all the pile was raked together as a contribution for the public works. Might not our city fathers raise money easier by this method than by a loan? We give two or three specimens:

The Gamblers.

A Californian came into court in great haste last evening, and complained that another Californian was running away with his oxen. Suspecting the affair had some connection with a gambling transaction, I immediately handed him a warrant for the arrest of the fugitive, when off he started at the top of his speed to execute it. In less than an hour he returned with his prisoner.

I then asked the plaintiff if the oxen were his. He said they were. I asked him of whom he obtained them. He said of the man who attempted to run away with them. I asked him what he gave for them; this was a puzzler, but after hemming and hawing for a minute, he said he had played for them and won them. I asked him what else he had won of the man; he replied, the poncho, and a thin jacket, both of which he had on. I ordered them both into the calaboose for the night. The winner, who had apprehended the other, and who, no doubt, expected to get the oxen at once, looked quite confounded.

This morning I had the two gamblers before me. Neither of them looked as if he had relished much his prison-couch. I made the winner return all his ill-gotten gains, oxen, poncho and jacket, and then fined them each five dollars. The one who had served the warrant shrugged his shoulders, as if he had made a great mistake. There was no escape from the judgment, so they paid their fine and departed. The next time they gamble, they will probably settle matters between themselves, without a resort to the alcalde.

A nest of gamblers arrived in town yesterday, and last evening opened a monte at the hotel honored with the name of the Astor House. I took a file of soldiers, and under cover of night, reached the hotel unsuspected, where I stationed them at the two doors which afforded the only egress from the building. In a moment I was on the stairs which lead to the apartment where the gamblers were congregated. I heard a whistle, and then footsteps flying into every part of the edifice. On entering the great chamber, not a being was visible save one Sonorian reclining against a large table, and composedly smoking his cigarito. I passed the compliments of the evening with him, and desired the honor of an introduction to his companions.

At this moment, a feigned snore broke on my ear from a bed in the corner of the apartment—'Ha! Dutre, is that you? Come, tumble up, and aid me in stirring out the rest.' He pointed under the bed, where I discovered, just within the drop of the valance a multitude of feet and legs radiating as from a common center. 'Hallo there, friends, turn out!' and out came some half dozen or more, covered with dust and feathers, and odorous as the nameless furniture left behind. Their plight and discovery threw them into a laugh at each other. From this apartment, accompanied by my secretary I proceeded to others, where I found the slopers stowed away in every imaginable position—some in the beds, some under them, several in closets, two in a hogshead, and one up a chimney. Mr. R——, from Missouri, known here under the soubriquet of the 'prairie-wolf,' I found between two bed ticks, with his coat and boots on, and half smothered with feathers. He was the ringleader, and raises a monte table wherever he goes as regularly as a whale comes to the surface to blow. All shouted as he tumbled out from his ticks. Among the rest I found the alcalde of San Francisco, a gentleman of education and refinement, who never plays himself, but who, on this occasion, had come to witness the excitement. I gathered them all, some fifty in number, into the large saloon, and told them the only speech I had to make was in the shape of a fine of twenty dollars each. The more astute began to demur on the plea of not guilty, as no cards and no money had been discovered; and as for the beds, a man had as good a right to sleep under one as in it. I told them that was a matter of taste, misfortune often made strange bedfellows, and the only way to get out of the scrape was to pay up. Dr. S—— was the first to plank down. 'Come, my good fellows,' said the doctor, 'pay up, and no grumbling; this money goes to build a schoolhouse, where I hope our children will be taught better principles than they gather from the example of their fathers.' The 'prairie-wolf' planked down next, and in ten minutes the whole, Chilenos, Sonorians, Oregonians, Californians, Englices, Americanos, delivered in their fines. These with the hundred dollar fine of the keeper of the hotel, filled quite a bag. With this I bade them good night, and took my departure. I hope the doctor's prediction will prove true; certainly it shall not be my fault if it turns out a failure. In all this there was not an angry look or petulant remark; they knew I was doing my duty, and they felt that they atoned in part for a violation of theirs thro' their fines. If you must hold office, be an alcalde; be absolute, but be upright, impartial and humane.

First Discovery of Gold.

Monday, May 29, 1848. Our town was startled out of its quiet dreams to-day, by the announcement that gold had been discovered on the American Fork. The men wondered and talked, and the women too; but neither believed. The sibyls were less skeptical; they said that the moon had for several nights, appeared not more than a cable's length from the earth; that a white raven had been seen playing with an infant; and that an owl had rung the church bells.

June 5. Another rumor reached us this morning from the American Fork. The rumor ran, that several workmen, while excavating for a mill-race, had thrown up little shining scales of a yellow ore, that proved to be gold; that an old Sonorian, who had spent his life in old mines, pronounced it the genuine thing. Still the public incredulity remained, save here and there a glimmer of faith, like the flash of a firefly at night. One good old lady, however, declared that she had been dreaming of gold every night for several weeks, and that it had so frustrated her simple domestic economy, that she had relieved her conscience, by confessing to her priest—

'Absolve me, father, of that sinful dream.'

Deaths—Died at the Sacramento City Hospital during the week ending Sept. 30, 1850: J. Bates, Mo., delirium; L. Wilson, Mass., fever; W. C. Mansfield, Mass., congestive fever; C. P. Conrad, N. Y., typhoid fever; J. Brightwell, Pa., typhoid fever; E. Stone, Maine, dysentery; W. Doherty, Michigan, fever.—[Times.

ANECDOTES OF GEN. TAYLOR.

The Salem (Mass.) Gazette contains the interesting eulogy of the Hon. C. W. Upham, upon President Taylor, delivered in that city. The following extracts from it contain some anecdotes of the departed hero, now for the first time made public:

The extraordinary modesty of Gen. Taylor, and the fact that, after all, his mind did not take pleasure in the recollection of the scenes of war, led him to be rather reluctant to talk much about his battles, but it happened to be my privilege, accompanied only by one of his military friends, to hear from his own lips a minute and graphic account of his experiences throughout the entire period of the battle of Buena Vista. He told me that during the whole of the second day he fully expected to die; that he bore, each moment, the thought that it might be his last—that on no other similar occasion of his life did he carry with him such a feeling.

He showed me where his clothes were perforated by balls. The outside edge of his coat sleeve, just below the shoulder of his right arm, was cut away, as also the linen, and the flannel under garments, and the skin was blackened and burned, but not torn, and two bullets perforated each several times the folds of his coat as it flapped loose at his right side, within an inch of his person, about three inches apart, one above the other. These statements he made in connection with an answer in the negative, to my inquiry whether he had ever been wounded. I then told him that, believing in a particular Providence, I had sometimes thought that his life had been thus remarkably preserved for some great purpose of usefulness to his country.

With the most striking and delightful meekness of manner, the color coming to his cheek, and his eye moistening as he spoke, he said that the preservation of his life had indeed been wonderful, and then went on to express a hope that his countrymen would all do him the justice to believe that, it was the farthest possible from his own wishes or thoughts ever to have been brought forward for the Presidency: that all he could say was, that he should do his utmost to fulfil the obligations of the office into which the course of events had brought him. He humbly hoped, he said, that he might be of service to his country, and that my sentiment might be justified by the result.

After this very interesting passage, he recurred to the subject of the battle, narrated his movements during both its days and nights, the particulars of the critical moment when the fate of the day hung upon the services of Col. Bragg's pieces, and the facts connected with the strange and inexplicable flag that came to him from Santa Anna.

As this incident of the battle may possibly, if the secret history of the war is ever fully revealed, be found to shed light upon it, I will here record the facts, related to me by General Taylor himself. During the hight of the conflict a flag was seen approaching. The emergencies of the day had so stripped him of his staff, that, having no one to send, he went himself to meet it. As the young officer who bore it could not speak English, nor he Spanish, the conference took place in French. The communication was this: "General Santa Anna desires to know what General Taylor *wants!*" Feeling somewhat indignant that a message so apparently impertinent should have been sent at such a moment, and regarding it as perhaps a device merely to gain time, or some other illegitimate advantage, or, at the best, as a species of bribing, he gave an answer dictated by the feeling of the moment—"What General Taylor *wants* is General Santa Anna's army."

Here the conference closed, and the Mexican officer withdrew. Upon a moment's reflection, he regretted that he had given an answer so undiplomatic, and having so much the air of a repartee. He called to mind the fact that his government had advised him that they had favored the return of Santa Anna to Mexico, from a belief that he was disposed to promote, and might have influence enough with his countrymen to effect, a termination of the war, and it occurred to him really designed to open the way for negotiation, and perhaps, a pacification—an object ever near to his heart. He rode over the fields in search of General Wool, made known the circumstances to him, and suggested, if not too great a personal exposure, the expediency of his carrying a flag to the Mexican lines, to ask an explanation of the message.

To send an officer of his rank, character, and position, would remove the indignity, if it should be so regarded, of his blunt and summary answer. General Wool readily and gallantly undertook the service, and rode forth to execute it; but the fire of the Mexican batteries could not again be stopped, and no further parley took place. The next morning, when Col. Bliss was sent with a flag to the Mexican head-quarters, he was requested to ascertain what had been intended by the message of the previous day, but he found the state of things such as to render it vain to enter upon the subject. The import of the message remains unriddled to this day. Santa Anna can undoubtedly solve the enigma.

In the conversation from which I derived these interesting items of information, General Taylor described to me the anxious consultations of the second night of the battle. His officers came to him one after another, expressing a decided opinion that his army was too much broken to be brought to the struggle another day. He declared to them his belief that, dreadfully as his forces had suffered, the enemy had suffered worse; that retreat, or any other alternative was entirely out of the question; that he had his arrangements to present, still, a formidable front to the foe, and all that remained for them was to make up their minds to conquer or die together, if the assault upon their position should be renewed with the returning light. 'But,' said he, 'gentlemen, it will not be renewed. I surveyed the whole field as the sun went down, and I believe we have beaten the enemy.'

When the third day dawned, it was discovered that Santa Anna had fled from the ground. General Taylor instantly ordered a train of wagons, provided with medical and other means of relief, and accompanied by surgeons from his own army, to follow on the track of the Mexicans, and administer to the wants of the wounded and disabled, whom they had abandoned on their retreat. Upon some one expressing a doubt whether such a use of the public stores and wagons, for the benefit of the enemy, would be allowed by the Department. Taylor cut the difficulty short, at once, by saying, 'then I will pay the bill;' and to provide for the contingency, he directed a separate account to be kept of all that was expended for the purpose.

CARRIER PIGEONS.—The French papers state that these wonderful birds are being reared and trained in large numbers at Belgium, by a society, who carry the art of instructing them to great perfection. A great race came off for prizes, in which 63 pigeons left Lyons at 5 A. M. for Brussels. The first pigeon arrived 31 minutes past two o'clock, P. M.; the second prize was won by a pigeon which came at 39 minutes past 2; the third at 20 minutes before 3. The distance from Lyons to Brussels by railroad is about 600 miles, which the first pigeon flew in 7 1-4 hours.

☞ The Doylestown Democrat says, that at one of our iron mines in Lehigh county, where the water is drawn out of the mine by mule power, one of the mules refuses to work unless he is ridden. To save a hand, they mounted an artificial monkey upon him, and he works steadily, perfectly satisfied.

LIBEL.—The editor of a down-east paper, a bachelor, says: "The reason why the women do not cut themselves in two by tight lacing, is because they lace around the *heart*, and that is so hard they cannot affect it."

ELOPEMENT.—*Cupid in a triangle.* One of the most extraordinary elopements in this season of singular feminine boltings, took place in New Orleans, and deserves to be recorded as a warning to all love-sick swains never to entrust such delicate negotiations as affairs of the heart to an ambassador, be he as accomplished in the arts of diplomacy as a Tallyrand, or as honest as a Franklin.

Before stating the facts of this interesting elopement, we would premise that the young lady is of a tender age, beautiful and accomplished, and the idol of her wealthy parents. A gallant and adventurous youth, a noble specimen of 'Young America,' won her affections, but being poor in worldly goods, left for the Eureka State, some eighteen months ago, determined to wring from the prolific placers of the Sacramento wealth sufficient to satisfy the ambition of his idol's parents. For twelve long months a regular correspondence was kept up between them, and vows of eternal constancy were often reciprocated. The course of true love, the poets tell us, never did run smooth, and we presume it never will. A dashing youth, the gallant and chivalrous Colonel Q——k, stepped forward to attack the affections of Miss ——. He was coldly, but respectfully forbidden the dwelling of the fair one by her parents, but being resolved to conquer or die, he arranged his plans to gain by strategy what he could not do by open assault, and in an unlucky hour employed a bosom friend as a go-between, to carry his message to the young lady. The ambassador daily reported progress to the Colonel, who was delighted with his success. The goal of his earthly ambition was in view; in a few days, he flattered himself, the dazzling prize would be his, when lo! to his horror, on Tuesday morning last, the scales were torn from his eyes; his bosom friend had played the traitor. He whom he had entrusted with the delicate mission had deceived him; had actually ran away with all he held dear on earth!

The Colonel has taken the affair so much to heart, that from all we can learn, the Insane Asylum, at Jackson, will soon have another occupant added to that melancholy list of poor humanity within its walls; the parents are indignant; the labors of 'young America' as he toils on the Yuba or Feather river, in the land of manifest destiny, are no doubt lightened by the hopes, however delusive, of soon returning with a pocket full of rocks to claim his fair but fickle bethrothed one, while the adroit and successful diplomatist is spending the honeymoon at one of the fashionable watering places with his youthful bride. If this be not Cupid in a triangle, we know not what is.—[N. O. Delta.

COL. GRANT.—We are glad to learn as we do from the Sacramento papers, that notwithstanding the severe wound inflicted upon his head by Alexander, he was able to appear in court and testify, on Monday. The examination resulted in holding Alexander in bonds of $2,000 for his appearance at court.

☞ We learn from the correspondence of the Baltimore Sun, that an association is forming at the Washington Navy Yard, under the style of "The Anacosta California Trading and Mining and Trading Company;" sixty shares, $200 each. They propose starting in October, and have obtained a lease from Col. Fremont for a tract of land on Mariposa river.

☞ Abner Smith, from Mass., took three alligators from Louisiana to Cincinnati, for the purpose of exhibiting them. Two weeks since, one of them bit him on the arm, and a terrible inflammation supervening, he died.

☞ What kind of essence does a young man want when he pops the question? Acqui-essence.

ELECTION NOTICES.

☞ Believing that the Rev. B. Brierly, late joint Chaplain to the Senate and Assembly, would faithfully and efficiently discharge the duties of Superintendent of Public Instruction, if elected, we cheerfully ask for him the votes of our fellow citizens. Being a resident among us, he knows our wants. For years connected in various ways with the interests of education, he has ample experience. Himself a father, with children to be instructed in the schools of our State, his interests are identified with those of the parents and friends of education in the state. Energetic and trustworthy, the educational interests of the state will be safe in his hands.

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J. Maynard, J. Daw & Co,
Joseph Lyon, L. C. Packard,
Hosmer, Brothers, Coghill & Arrington,
Grayson & Guild. o2 te

☞ We, the undersigned, friends of Dr. E. B. BATEMAN, of the District of San Joaquin, would recommend him to our fellow citizens throughout the State, as a suitable candidate for the office of SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION. We know him to be a gentleman of most excellent character and attainments and believe he would do honor to the office.

Thomas B Van Buren, Duncan W Parley,
M F Sparrow, Chas M Creaner,
John S Robb, Chas M Weber,
Jas Duval, Benj Whitehouse,
J Warren, Asaph Gaty,
A C Bradford, Samuel Purdy,
John Doak, J B McKennie,
John W O'Neal, M Endicott,
D S Hulett, G A Shurtleff,
G M Warner, R P Ashe,
M M Stewart, J B Clements,
John W Paine, Jr., Alex Gwinn,
E S Holden, B F Cheatham.
Alonzo Green, Wm Jeffrey,
John R Baker, John W Reins,
Isaac Wormset, Saml Geddes,
Alex M Wynn, Thos S Lobbock,
Saml Langdon, J S Owen,
G D Dickenson, W T Shannon,
Thos H Blount, James A Ward,
James Woods. oct 1

☞ A CARD—We the undersigned, from our knowledge of the character and qualifications of Prof. JAMES NOONEY, his long experience in Public Instruction, and his thorough acquaintance with the various systems of education, collegiate, academical and common school, as found in the different States, would present his name to the citizens of California as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, to be filled at the ensuing election in October.

John W Douglas, A C Campbell,
Thos L Vermeule, P O Minor,
J Alexander Yoell, George B Tingley.
Wm B Almond, C J Kyland,
Jno S Houston, R F Peckman,
Sherman Day, Chas Campbell,
R M Wallace, Thos B Bodley,
Chas White, John H Forster,
Theo M Kones, Milton B Coleman,
John Yontz, W M Foster,
James C Cobb, F Lightstone. o1

☞ A CANDIDATE FOR HARBOR MASTER.—As I am quite unacquainted with politics, I wish to explain my case to the public. When I came forward as a candidata for Harbor Master, I did not think of political matters, nor can I see what it has to do with that office; and in answer to the many questions that have been put to me the last few days, by my friends, I beg to inform them that I am no party man, and shall most decidedly continue to be a candidate irrespective of parties, until the decision of the people at the polls, and remain,
Very respectfully,
WM. WEBSTER.
STORESHIP ELISABETH, Sep. 16. oct1

☞ CAPTAIN GEORGE SIMPTON has been favorably known as an experienced shipmaster and pilot from this place, and his claims for the Harbor Master's berth is second to none, and I, as Chairman of Shipmasters, at our meeting on the 20th inst., recommend him as the most competent person to fill the office.
Respectfully,
(signed) N. S. MAURAN.
San Francisco, Aug, 31. ol tf

☞ GENTS:—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication in the Picayune and also the Pacific News of the 6th inst, requesting me to come forward as candidate for the responsible office of Harbor Master. I have only to say that if elected I will use my exertions to please all.
I remain, respectfully, your obedient servant.
WM. WEBSTER.
To Messrs. Flint & Peabody, Payne & Sherwood, Hutton & Timmerman, Clark & Poore, and others.
San Francisco, Sept. 7th, 1850. ol

☞ FOR HARBOR MASTER—Capt. GEORGE W. ANTHONY, at the solicitation of many friends, offers himself as a candidate for the office of Harbor Master at the ensuing election, subject to the nomination of the Democratic party. ol te

☞ The solicitations of friends induces JAMES P. NOYES to offer himself as an independent candidate for the office of Harbor Master of the port of San Francisco. ol te

☞ C. W. BUTTERFIELD will be supported for Superintendent of Public Instruction at the ensuing election, by a
ol tf HOST OF FRIENDS.

☞ HARBOR MASTER—Capt. GEORGE SIMPTON will be supported for this office by a [ol te] HOST OF FRIENDS.

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ALEXANDER WELLS.
Judge of the Superior Court.
CHARLES A. McREA.
Harbor Master.
JOHN BARMORE.
Senator.
HON. DAVID C. BRODERICK.
Assembly.
DAVID C. McCARTHY, | W. C. HOFF.
JOHN H. GIHON, | WM. R. KINDER,
WM. SHARRON.

THE APPROACHING POLITICAL CONTEST.

A great contest is at hand. The question is now to be decided, whether the city of San Francisco shall for years to come be a Whig or a Democratic city. Victory for Democracy now, will be a victory that shall last for years. On the other hand, if the Whigs obtain a triumph now, that triumph will place us in a position so disastrous in regard to the future, that no one can predict at what distant period our glorious banner shall again wave in triumph over us.

Democracy, led on by the wise, sagacious and determined policy of the administration of the late lamented President Polk, gave California to our common country—gave her to the world. Our noble city, with her unrivalled enterprise and commanding position—with her magnificent harbor and inexhaustible resources, crowned with a hope for the future whose realization shall be unparalleled in the history of the world, would at this moment have been the miserable abode of the semi-barbarous misrule of Mexican supremacy—a supremacy which, in spite of nature herself, so long and so effectually crushed the spirit of enterprise, and concealed the inexhaustible treasures of California from the world, would still have reigned in the same sombre, gloomy and perpetual silence which rested upon the very spot where she now stands, as the prodigy of the age and the last great wonder of the world. When the volunteer soldier first planted upon our soil the standard of his country, who would have thought that when that standard was raised against an arrogant foe, by the determination of Democratic counsels, and carried on by the energy of a Democratic administration, and when the volunteers who ranged around it were fed and clothed by the aid alone of funds raised by Democratic votes—who would have thought, we ask, that when that standard should have crossed the continent, and been securely planted on the shores of the Pacific, that the opponents of the war, the whigs *in* and *out* of Congress, would have claimed the conquests and acquisitions over which the Democracy of the Union had bid it wave in triumph? Yet such is the fact; and it crowns the climax of Whig audacity, and proves to the world that no bounds can be set to the modesty of Whig pretensions.

Measures are in progress for the establishment of whig supremacy, not only in the City of San Francisco, but in the State at large; and unless the democracy come forward with a firm front, vigorous action, and a spirited and vigorous organization, the city not only, but the whole State will be ultimately surrendered to whig misrule. The moral bearing of an utter defeat in our ranks now, at this election, will be incalculably instrumental in annihilating all hopes of democratic triumphs hereafter, and may for years to come hand over to the whigs the destinies of the State, and may involve in its results the destinies of the whole Union.

Our principles are dependent upon democratic unity. Our only safety consists in a strict adherence to regular nomination. This must be the test of consistency in our ranks, and of reliability in the crisis that shapes our destiny. Those that leave us now leave us in the hour of need, and cannot expect the favors of the party hereafter, but must remain in their assumed independence; until, like all their illustrious predecessors in the same career of party independence, they shall ultimately, from necessity, unite with their former enemies, and do battle against their former friends. It is neither practical nor philosophical to talk about a middle-ground democracy. Let the fate of those who have tried it heretofore prove a monitory example to those who seek to tread upon ... will prove a ...us for democrats to walk upon, and all who try it will soon find a level with the whigs.

Let there be no sectional feelings here, because there is no necessity for it, such as unhappily mar all other portions of the Union. Let the sons of New England and New York, the descendants of Penn, the western and southern men, all unite in one solid phalanx under the principle of democratic unity, and go together to the polls on Monday next; and at the close of that day we will greet our friends on this, and on the other side of the mountains, with the joyful news of a democratic triumph for the City and County of San Francisco.

THE WHIG MEETING.

By dint of personal exertions, and the seductive strains of a band upon the speaker's stand, assisted by that attached to the circus in the rear, the Whig slate holders of San Francisco assembled a considerable crowd upon the Plaza, last evening.

The meeting was organized by the appointment of Hon. John Wethered, Chairman, who opened the ball in a speech of some length, in which he did not put forth a single principle, or advance an idea, except that there was too much "*sorrel sheep*" in the last Legislature, basing the joke upon the old story of the Pennsylvania Dutchman whose wife had the cholic.

This speaker was followed by Judge Shattuck, the party candidate for Judge of the Superior Court, who made rather a sensible speech, until he took up a remark in a morning paper, about his personal appearance, and followed that as long as the crowd laughed. However, the gentleman said some very sensible things in regard to the election of Judges by the people, and spoke of his opponents in the most courteous terms.

Mr. Benham, the Whig candidate for District Attorney, was then called for, and came forward and pronounced a creditable and beautiful eulogy upon Gen. Taylor, and congratulated the Whig party that the mantle of the illustrious deceased had fallen upon the "God-like Daniel" in the North, and Henry Clay in the West, as the leaders of the Whig party. Not a word about Mr. Fillmore—not a complimentary note for the present administration. Of course *he* can't expect any "favor at Washington," and he might as well exert himself to the utmost to secure the place of his present aspirations! Mr. B. closed by announcing himself, as did Judge Shattuck, that he was "a Whig to the bone," but that he should accept the votes of any others with gratitude. Of course!

When we left the stand, Col. Munford was speaking, and we presume the remainder of the evening passed off as laid down in the "bill of particulars." We anticipated hearing some reason why Whig rule should prevail in California, but the only one that greeted our ears, was the belly-ache 'sorrel sheep' story of the Dutchman's wife.

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS.

We yesterday published a card from Rev. J. Townsend Huddart, in reply to a paragraph in a previous issue, touching eligibility to office. The ground taken, that an individual is a "resident of the State" during the time he is *in transitu* around Cape Horn or over the Isthmus, cannot be maintained. It is a forced construction of law, and never would be sustained in any court of competent jurisdiction. The constitution is perfectly plain on the subject of the qualifications of voters. It says:

"Every white male citizen of the United States," or "who shall have been *a resident of the State* six months next preceding the election, and the County or District in which he claims to vote, shall be entitled to vote at all elections," &c.

We do not understand how a man can be eligible to office who is not a legal voter; and we think the Inspectors of election will refuse to receive the votes of all not *actually* residents of the State, and to throw out all cast for candidates not legal voters.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—An ordinance, we perceive, has just passed the Common Council, creating the office of Superintendent of Public Buildings, whose duty it shall be to keep them in proper order, collect the rents, and attend to various other important interests now cared for by no one. Among those who are candidates for that appointment, we see the name of G. W. Jones, Esq. We are well acquainted with this gentleman, and know him to be every way well qualified for the office, or for any position in which correctness of character and good business habits are a recommendation.

A PLAIN DUTY.

While we do not ourselves doubt the political integrity of the candidates on the regular democratic ticket, it is yet a matter of some consequence to the preservation of their names from the suspicion of aiding and abetting spurious organizations, that they should openly define their position in this respect. We deem it a plain duty which they owe to the party that has placed them in nomination, that Messrs. Broderick, Hoff, McCarty and other of our candidates whose names are upon the *independent* ticket, to state whether they desire an election through that connection, or are willing to stand or fall with the other gentlemen associated with them upon the regular ballot.

We wish to see straight work—to see every man show his hand, so that the democratic party hereafter may know whose fidelity is proof against all seductive influences, or opposed to all alliances with malcontents.

In this connection we beg to ask Judge Morse whether he intends to allow his name to be used to defeat the regular nominations—whether the independent ticket is the one to which he gives his political adherence in the coming contest. We put this question in all kindness, for it is well known that Judge Morse was our first choice, and that we used all our individual efforts to secure for him the regular nomination. If we understand Judge M. aright he never *intended* to allow his name to be used as an element of discord in our ranks; and if this be correct, is it not his duty to withdraw his name from its present anomalous position, and thus show himself true to his political affinities.

It is too late to consider whether the nomination of Mr. McRea was fairly made. We hold that no democrat who failed either to vote at the primary election, or to obtain a nomination, has any right to complain, if men are placed upon the ticket not satisfactory to themselves. If we ever expect to be successful as a party, or maintain the supremacy of democratic principles, WE MUST ADHERE TO REGULAR USAGE, and support our nominees. Out of this there is no safety. There is not a man in California for whom we have a warmer regard than Gen. Morse, but we feel bound to oppose his election, unless we are prepared to sacrifice our principles and party.

Judge McRea is a gentleman of eminent legal talent, high moral worth, and a whole-souled democrat; and though, as we said, not our first choice, yet he shall have our undivided support. Let us know, then, from these gentlemen, whether *they* also join us with equal warmth of determination, in supporting "the ticket, the whole ticket, and nothing but the ticket."

☞ Despite the efforts of foes without, and traitors within, the democratic ranks, we are moving forward to a certain, sure triumph. The campaign is progressing satisfactorily, and as sure as the sun rises and sets on Monday next, so sure will San Francisco prove herself democratic to the core. When our ticket was first presented, disappointed aspirants manifested a disposition to 'give aid and comfort to the enemy,' but time has brought about a 'sober second thought,' and we shall go into the contest shoulder to shoulder, and come out of it with an unbroken line, despite the efforts of 'independent' disorganizers and political 'snuff-takers.'

DEMOCRATIC RALLY.—It should be born in mind that a meeting of the democracy will be held in Happy Valley, at the foot of Mission street, this evening at five o'clock. Mechanics, shipwrights, and workingmen generally are expected to be present. The democratic council fires are burning brightly, and victory must and will perch upon our banners.

ARRIVAL OF GOV. BURNETT.—His Excellency the Governor came in from San Jose in yesterday's stage. We had the pleasure of a visit from him soon after his arrival, and were delighted to see him looking so well, his health seeming to be entirely restored. Towards few men we have a warmer attachment than to Gov. Burnett, whose honest heart and social virtues, coupled with indefatigable energy and application, whether in public or private duties, endear him to all who are so fortunate as to make his acquaintance. Gov. B. will go up the Sacramento in to-morrow afternoon's boat.

ANOTHER FAILURE.—We understand that another house failed at Sacramento during the past week; for what amount, we have not ascertained.

THE OLD CUSTOM HOUSE.—It may be new to some of our readers that the building now used for the post-office was formerly rented to Col. Collier for the purpose of a custom house. In a suit before one of our courts recently it appeared that the enormous sum of $7000 per month was actually paid for the rent of this edifice. Eighty-four thousand dollars for the use of a shell of a building like that is what may be called rather *a moderate charge!* A year's rent would have sufficed for the erection of a custom house vastly better adapted to the purpose than was this. Our Atlantic friends may gather from this fact some idea of the productiveness of real estate in California. We believe the buildings cost about $60,000 at the time when the prices of labor and materials were the highest.

CALIFORNIA SPECIMEN.—We have been very much interested within the last few days in seeing a beautiful specimen of California ingenuity. It is a production of our rich state that can only be surpassed by the united abilities of all the other states combined. It is a California *cab* that nearly rivals the Washington *omnibus*. It is made of sheets that are apparently light and frail, but which are composed of great "*moral, intellectual and educational strength*," and only cost a "picayune." It is intended to drive this cab to San Jose for exhibition. It carries only two passengers, a regular democrat and a regular whig, and is driven by a regular independent. We have never seen a snugger turn-out, and we advise all our friends to take a look at it. Though intended to be admirably arranged for its purpose, we fear that the roads to San Jose will prove too heavy for it to get through. X

SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.—From the letter below, addressed to Gov. Burnett, and forwarded yesterday, it will be seen that Messrs. Stevenson & Parker have withdrawn their proposition for the location of the State Capital:

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3, '50.

SIR: The undersigned beg leave to withdraw the proposition heretofore made by them for the location of the Capital of the State at New York of the Pacific. We have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your ob't serv't's,

(Signed) STEVENSON & PARKER.

To his Excellency, Peter H. Burnett, San Jose.

☞ An English paper states that Mr. Capman, an executioner, from the United States, has arrived in Paris for the purpose of studying the French Guillotine system and examining the machinery employed in the work of decapitation used in other parts of Europe.

☞ A quiet nice place is that of Mrs. Whitney's on Commercial st. to drop in and imbibe a cobbler or a julip, on a scorching hot day or evening. The refreshments furnished are always of the best kind, and are served up in capital style.

☞ Col. Grant, the hero of 'Nicolaus' and the True Delta, was in town yesterday, looking as good as new, notwithstanding the ugly wound inflicted by Alexander, at Sacramento. A few Nicolaus lots still on hand but not a single copy of the Delta.

FOLEY'S CIRCUS.—This new establishment on the plaza, was opened on Tuesday evening with great brilliancy. Last night a large house was present.

☞ The Courier denies that Col. Collier has consented to give $100-000 of the government funds for the relief of the suffering immigrants. The denial was unnecessary.

GREGORY'S EXPRESS.—A special messenger will be sent forward to the States by J. W. Gregory, on Saturday, by the steamer New Orleans.

ADAMS & Co. send a special messenger by the New Orleans on Saturday. Gold dust received until Friday evening.

TO AUCTIONEERS.—The state tax upon the auctioneers becomes due on Monday next. See notice of county Treasurer.

MINER'S TICKET.—At a meeting of the miners at Mormon Island, on the 29th ult., Mr. Benj. Lyons was nominated for Assembly.

The alarm of fire about 4 o'clock yesterday morning, was caused by the burning of a pile of rubbish upon the cite of the late fire.

Hawley & Co. and Todd & Co. will accept our thanks for up country papers.

BAD PROVISIONS.

Beyond doubt, one great cause of the sickness prevalent in this country has been the bad provisions with which those who came hither have been fed. The miners have at last found this out pretty much to their satisfaction; and, as they pay cash and high prices for all they consume, and, furthermore, as good provisions of every sort are now to be had, which was not the case twelve or fifteen months ago, they use no other than the best of everything. The consequence is there is far less sickness in the mines this year than there was last.

We spoke on Wednesday of bad bread, and pointed out why it is so extensively used in San Francisco, where bakers abound who know how, and who do not scruple to use their knowledge, to make it out of the worst of flour.

The same remarks may be made of a whole catalogue of groceries daily sold and used among us. We have occasionally seen such goods up at auction, and did not fail to note who were the purchasers. A case in point occurred on Tuesday. Some raisins were under the hammer—if the pulpy mass, which had passed through the vinous, acetous, and saccharine fermentations, and was *en medios res* with the putrifactive, could be called raisins. 'They must be sold,' said the auctioneer,—'we are throwing them away.' [Better throw them into the docks, thought we.] 'They will do as well as any for *cooking*.' And finally they went off to a thin faced grocer for his customers.

So went too, the 'preserved meats,'—we loathe the phrase,—the 'pickled tongues,' the 'hams,' the 'butter,' the 'cheese!' Lord deliver us! the stench of them is not out of our nostrils yet! And these scenes are enacted every day. Every day, goods which ought to be sunk in the depths of the sea are exposed for sale, and actually sold, yea, and eaten, too, by some body, we suppose, when the very hogs at 'our father's' would loathe the daintiest portion of them.

Now the remedy for all this is easy. Good provisions are plenty and not very dear, and people who prize their lives will have no others. Board, as we are prepared to prove, is this moment as high as it has been at any time in this place for three years past. Let some one then commence reform by giving *good* board at cheap rates; and let those who have sent their damaged goods to this market for sale put up with their losses, or call upon their underwriters. For the love of Heaven and man let the loss fall where it belongs, and not cost innocent people their lives to enable speculators and adventurers to eke out their gains.

We need say no more. We are prepared to give names if necessary, but refrain for the present. We need not remind any one that the cholera may be just at hand, and that then a "generous diet" may be administered too late. The oldest and the best rule in dietetics, that we are acquainted with, is to "EAT WELL." And with this friendly injunction we close.

☞ The Placer Times of Tuesday says that "the Pacific News is out against the Common Council," and that "it is disgusted with them." The editor must have got a copy by lightning express of some extra edition, as the first number of our re-issue appeared on the same morning his remarks. The copy left with us by the carrier said "nary" thing of the sort.

Accident.—Mr. Robert Shirley, of Louisville, Ky., was last evening proceeding to Weberville with his team, and in attempting to mount his wagon to ride, he made a mis-step, fell under the wheels, and they passed over him. His right thigh, just above the knee, was broken. The bone was set by Dr. Proctor, since which the patient has been doing well.—[Transcript.

MARIPOSA MINES COMPANY—.By a letter received from the Mariposa Mines, last evening we learn that the yield of gold continues to be most satisfactory. Four tons of the poorest quartz had just been crushed which yielded $120 per ton. From some of the richest, fifty dollars per pound had been taken.

☞ The Courier asks, 'Who killed Cock Robin?' The question will be answered by the democracy on Monday next, to the satisfaction of the editor and his friends.

ANOTHER CONFESSION.—It is now stated that Dr. Webster has another confession to lay before the public. His last confession has been in part refuted, hence it is necessary that he should try again.

FRUITS IN MARKET.—One proof that we are in a country not so very new, after all, is seen in the various and abundant fruits raised on the soil, and to be found at almost every corner of the streets—apples, pears and grapes. The wonder is, what was done with such large quantities of these fruits before the recent vast accession to the population here. There is a plenty for all now, and formerly a great amount must have been lost—'wasted its fragrance on the desert air.'

THAT WINDMILL.

Editor of Pacific News:

We discover by your paper a few days since, that one of your craft, in his Quixotic perambulations after adventures, was so unfortunate as to come in contact with our Windmill, and that still more unfortunately, he had no opportunity of having a tilt with it, in consequence of being refused admittance. We beg leave to apologize to the gentleman for that want of courtesy, and will simply state that at times we are overrun with visitors, to our great inconvenience, who sometimes *borrow* our fixins, (we have no idea that your gentleman would have been thus free) in consequence of which we have been compelled to put up a notice desiring to be left alone, which I suppose is the refusal he speaks of.

Now, Mr. Editor, we shall at all times be happy to receive your visits, or that of any other gentleman of the Press, and if you will give us a slight notice of your intended visit, we will have a cup of our "best Java" prepared, and perhaps there may be something in our locker more congenial, not yet uncorked. In conclusion, we will state that in consequence of extending our works, we are not yet prepared to advertise; when we are so, we will not forget the "Pacific News," and *possibly*, may ask your acceptance of a small canister of that same 'old Java,' prepared at the 'California Coffee and Spice Factory,' by

A. C. HUDSON & Co.

Sept. 2, 1850.

HARBOR MASTER OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Editor of Pacific News:

We very frequently see men candidates for an office the duties of which they are utterly incapable of performing; and when they succeed, the embarrassments resulting from their position are self-evident to the most casual observer.

Offices are created for the benefit and convenience of the community at large, and when by illjudged partiality or prejudice, inefficient persons are placed in them, the elective franchise is not only abused but the public interest suffers. Hence the great necessity of the people making a close and strict inquiry not only into the moral and intellectual worth, but the practical knowledge and fitness of the candidate to discharge ably and faithfully the duties of the office to which he aspires.

The commercial interest above all other predominates in San Francisco and all its inhabitants, either directly or indirectly, are interested in it, and the trade growing out of it. There is an office in the gift of the people intimately connected with this great and vital interest,—that of Harbor Master. It is all important, then, that the free voters of our city, discarding from their minds every thing like party prejudice or sectional feeling, to choose a man every way worthy and well qualified to discharge its duties.

I have not the pleasure of an acquaintance with any of the candidates for Harbor Master, except one, and him I have most favorably known for years past in the states, He is a man who, from the age of sixteen, has been employed in our merchant service and that of our government. He has for many years commanded vessels out of our most important ports, and through his humane exertions, while captain in the revenue service of Texas, many a German family was saved from a watery grave, the vessels on which they came being wrecked on its coast. He acted as pilot for Commodate Conner in landing his boats at the mouth of the Rio Grande. He carried the news of the victory of Buena Vista to Gen. Scott, for which service he received that officer's thanks. He was appointed by the United States Quarter Master, Harbor Master of Vera Cruz, and was frequently exposed to the enemy's fire while landing provisions for our troops. He ceased not from his arduous duties, though numbers were dying daily of the yellow fever which then raged in the city. His zeal, his skill, and his services during the bomb rdment of Vera Cruz gained him not only the confidence of the army generally, but that of Com. Perry and the officers of his

meet. In fact from the time that Gen. Taylor moved his army from Corpus Christi until the termination of the war, this patriotic man spent only three months with his family. Such is a brief outline of the services that one of our candidates for Harbor Master has rendered to his country.

Democrat as I am, and ever have been, I cannot for the life of me see what politics has to do with the office of Harbor Master; for in the name of common sense what application can either whig or democratic principles have to the mooring of a vessel in a berth so she will swing clear of others. This certainly is pushing things to an extreme; and extremes being known as dangerous, should ever be avoided. You are thus called upon, fellow citizens, in the name of party, to act against your better judgment, your sense of justice, nay even your own interest. Will you obey the call? I hope not, for every independent feeling of a freeman forbids it!

A few words as regards the individual character of this candidate alluded to. As a man I know him to be kind, generous, and humane; and while he sympathizes with the afflicted, his hand is ever ready to relieve the distressed. Those who know him best like him most. Is he able,—is he honest?" He is both.

This, fellow citizens of San Francisco, is a mere glance at the services and worth of a man who respectfully solicits your support on Monday next for the office of Harbor Master; this is Capt. George Simpton.

o4 2t AN OLD DEMOCRAT.

PASSENGERS.—Per Br bark Paragon, Mr Biffert, and 10 in the steerage.

By the Paragon, H Moral, U H Belt, T H Boon, C H Trinchard, C C O'Donell, T H Birckhead, and five in the steerage.

CONSIGNEES.—Per Paragon, Glenn & co.

Per Pioneer, Ellis & Maguire, J F Baily, W R Ribbin, J H Coghill, T H Birckhead, Dall & Austin, Morrison & Stoddart, Lumden & Compton, J B Lippencott, D M Eder, P Dawson, Bennet & Kirby, J Caprise, jr, F J Hogan, A W Brocknay, R D Carey, H C Jarett, Winter & Latimer, J O Sloan, A M Preeny, Caughy & Bromley, H C Jarrett, Finley, Johnson & co, Speck & Baugher, M H Bandel, P T Dawson, Cross, Hobson & co, J B Cannon & co, J B & A J George, W H Dafrymple, Rhode & Morrell, Quater Master U S A, C Bickner.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

CLEARED.

THURSDAY, Oct. 3.

Ship Amity, Parsons, Hong Kong, Macondray & co.

Br ship Harmony, Papps, Sydney, Blood & co.

Br bark Panama, Burns, Sandwich Islands, Starkey & co.

Brig Wasson, Kennedy, Portland, Oregon.

Brig Brothers, Walder, Sandwich Islands, S H Williams & co.

Brig Anne E. Maine, Meloy, Portland, Oregon.

Schr Empire on a fishing cruize.

ARRIVED.

Ship Pioneer, Childs, 176 ds from Baltimore, 11 pass, to master.

Br ship Paragon, 176 ds fm Liverpool, via Valparaiso 56 ds, 11 pass, to Glenn & co.

☞ NOTICE—Masters of vessels requiring Pilots outward, or wishing to settle pilotage bills, will please call at the office corner of Montgomery and California streets opposite the Custom House, or at Charles Minturn's office of steamer Senator, Clark's Point. W. J. Burnside, } Agents.
o1 James Nelson. }

☞ Captain WM. WEBSTER is a candidate for the office of Harbor Master, and will be supported by the [o3 tc] Vox Populi.

☞ EUGENE H. THARP is a candidate for re-election, as Clerk of the Supreme Court

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☞ ADAMS & Co's Express per steamer New Orleans—The subscribers will forward and insure Dust per steamer New Orleans, to sail Saturday, October 5th.

Dust received until Friday evening, Oct. 4th, and bills of Exchange given in sums to suit purchasers. [o3 2t] ADAMS & Co.

☞ T. J. Brullard, consignee of 10 boxes and 1 bundle slats, shipped by H P Bostwick, and 1 box shipped by Daniel A Gallaway, per bark Leonassa, will pay freight and remove the same by 7th October, or they will be landed and sold to pay freight and expenses

Neefus & Tichner, Agents,
o1 4t cor Jackson and Battery sts.

☞ SHIP MEMNON.—Capt. Gordon, from New York, is ready to discharge. Consignees by this vessel are requested to call at the office of the subscriber, pay freight and receive an order for their goods. Terms of bills of lading will be strictly observed, as the ship must have dispatch.

F. A. SANFORD,
o1 1m foot Pine street.

☞ MASONIC NOTICE—The officers and members of Davy Crockett, No. 1, are requested to meet at the Masonic Hall, Kearny st, at 2 o'clk. for the purpose of performing the funeral obsequies of our late Brother, Samuel C. Davis, from his late residence, on Commercial st. The Masonic Fraternity are invited to be present and join in this testimonial of our for our deceased Brother. By order of Bro James Knowles, Jr. W.,

Robert D. Kimbrell, Sec.
San Francisco, Oct. 4, 1850. A. L. 5850.

☞ FIREMEN'S NOTICE—A special meeting of the Monumental Fire Co. will be held This Evening, 4th inst., at 7 o'clock, at the American Hotel, Portsmouth Square, to hear the report of the Committee on Fire and Water.

By order Wm. Devere, Prsid't.
W. H. McLean, Sec. o4 1t

L. B. HANKS,
Dealers in Lumber,

Office, Bodega steam saw Mills, No. 1 Gold street. Will furnish to order any quantity of dimension stuff, or ordinary sizes, with dispatch. o4 6m

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W. SCHLEIDEN,
Ship and Custom House Broker.

Montgomery street, opposite the Custom-house, or at his house in Broadway, between Dupont and Stockton streets. o4

☞ WORKING MEN ATTEND. Grand Democratic Rally—A grand rally of the Democracy will be held at White Hall, on Central wharf, foot of Commercial street, on Saturday evening, Oct. 5, at 7 o'clock, to prepare for the ensuing election. Boatmen, sailors and working men, come one, come all! You are respectfully invited to attend. Eminent speakers will be present to address you. By order of the

o3 3t DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

Steamer New Orleans—Gregory's Express has been removed to the fire proof building, No 280 Montgomery street, (recently used by H. M. Naglee, Esq, as a banking house.) Having the use of the capacious and thoroughly tested fire proof vault, our patrons will please observe that we unite perfect safety with our usual promptness and dispatch.

A special agent will be dispatched on the steamer of Saturday the 5th October.

Insurance in the Atlantic Mutual, and other offices.

Gold Dust forwarded to the U. S. Mint, or parties residences, at the sender's option.

Drafts on Thompson & Hitchcock, our agents, at New York.

o1 Joseph W. Gregory, Proprietor

☞ Fare Reduced for San Jose—From the Empire House—Messrs Arkley & Morrison, run a Daily Stage Coach, for the above place, at the reduced rate of $16 per single passenger. o1 tf

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☞ Health Commissioner's Office—Dr John J. Thorp, Health Commissioner. Office in Iron Building, at the end of Pier foot of Jackson street. o1 tf

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GRAND DEMOCRATIC RALLY!

Shipwrights! Mechanics! and Workingmen attend! A grand Democratic rally will be had at the foot of Mission st, in Happy Valley, This (Friday) Evening, 4th inst., at 7 P. M.

All are respectfully invited to attend. Eminent speakers will address the meeting.

By order of the Democratic Committee. o4 1t*

THE DEMOCRACY MOVING!

ANOTHER GRAND RALLY!

The Democratic electors will have a Grand Rally at the Sacramento Hotel, foot Broadway, Clark's Point, on Saturday Evening, 5th inst., at 7 o'clock. Boatmen! Mechanics! and Workingmen attend! Your Whig foes are making strenuous efforts to overthrow you.

Turn Out! Turn Out!

Several eminent speakers will address the meeting.

By order of the Democratic Committee o4 1t*

LARGE, MEDIUM and SMALL TENTS, &c—

2 large round tents, water proof
3 army tents, 7x8
5 wall do 8x8, with fly
3 do do 8x8, without fly
3 do do 8x10, with fly
5 do do 10x12, do
3 do do 10½x10½ do water proof
1 do do 16x12 do do
1 do do 24x12 do do
with partiton,
5 double hammocks
5 common pack saddles
1 American ensign, 17x10
1 penant, 45 feet long
1 Union Jack, 6x12
4 canvass beds
100 haversacks, for sale by

Cooke Brothers & Co,
o4 7* Brick store, California st.

FOUND—Among goods saved from the late fire, 3 pcs 7 4ths diaper and 1 broken piece Scotch plaid. The owner or owners are requested to prove property and take them away.

o4 1t* J. A. Collins, Sansome st.

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue of a decretal order of the Honorable District Court in and for the County of San Francisco, made in the case of the assignees of Henry M. Naglee vs. Jonas Winchester et als., I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the court house in San Francisco, on Tuesday, the 8th day of October, inst., all the right, title and interest of said Winchester, it being one undivided half in and to the following personal property, to wit: one Napier press, one cap sheet press, about 500 pounds type, pica and long primer, cases, &c. San Francisco, Oct. 3, 1850.

o4 3t JOHN C. HAYS, Sheriff.

LUMBER, HOUSES and WAGONS—50 M feet square timber
20,000 ft scantling and wall strips
50,000 " boards and planks
2 houses 25x30, 18x90, two stories
2 lumber wagons
8 hard pine ten pin alleys, complete

John S. Gibbs & Co.
o4 1weod* Sansome street.

CONSTABLE'S SALE—In suits J. D. Hart and F. Winand, W. C. Bouck and G. L. Walrast *vs* Brig Wassor—By virtue of execution issued from Justice W. M. Hoffman's court, I shall offer for sale the brig Wassor, her tackle, apparel, &c, on Monday, October 14th, at 12 o'clock, M, in Portsmouth Square.

Wm. Cummings, Constable.
San Francisco, Oct. 3d, 1850. o4 3t

JONES' GRAND REAL ESTATE LOTTERY.

The largest Real Estate Lottery ever held in the United States—of 500 Lots, with the Improvements, in the city of San Francisco.

500 *Prizes of One Lot each.*

THE LOTS and Improvements vary in value from the capital Prize of $50,000 down. The property is divided into Four Thousand shares or tickets of $100 each, so that on an average *one in every eight shares* is almost certain of drawing some one of the prizes.

The plan of Drawing will be as follows, viz: The last drawn number will be entitled to the *highest prize;* the number drawn next to the last will be entitled to the next highest prize, an so on, to the number of Twelve of the highest prizes. The other 488 prizes will be drawn indiscriminately from one glass wheel, while the numbers of the tickets are drawn from another wheel against them, so that when the number of a ticket is drawn, the tickets drawn from the other will contain the description of the lot which the holder of the ticket is entitled to, or some other equally simple mode will be adopted.

The drawing will be in public, so that the ticket holders may see that it is properly conducted.

The lots are the property of Dr. Elbert P. Jones, he having acquired most of them several years since. The titles are indisputable. Warrantee titles with possession will be given immediately after the drawing. The taxes of every description have been paid on all this property, so that the fortunate drawers will have their lots free of all those charges for one year.

The whole property is put up at a remarkably low cash valuation, as the water lots, with eight or ten others in the list are worth the whole amount of the money.

The locality of a portion of the lots will be found below. Full catalogues and plans may be seen at our Auction Room, 276 Montgomery street, viz:

Lot in block corner of California and Kearny streets, 57½ feet front by 137½ feet deep, with the large splendid three story banking house and improvements, now occupied by E. P. Jones.

Lot with warehouse on Washington street between Montgomery and Sansome streets, front on Washington st 28 ft by 80 ft deep, with an L 20 by 45 ft, fronts on Jones alley.

Lot on corner Pacific and Battery sts; 4 lots adjoining on Pacific st, all piled and capped ready for buildings.

2 lots on Battery st, adjoining the above, next to the new Iron Custom house.

2 lots south of iron custom house.

Lots on Broadway near Sansome street.

do	Montgomery,	corner of	Broadway.
do	do	do	Green
do	Kearny	do	do
do	do	do	Union
do	do	do	Filbert
do	Dupont	do	Pacific
do	do	do	California
do	do	do	Pine
do	Stockton	do	Sacramento
do	do	do	Pine

do Sacramento
do Clay st.

Those two splendid 50 vara lots bounded by Sansome, Battery and Greenwich sts, being the most valuable water property in the city.

Lots on North Beach well situated for business purposes or dwellings.

The balance of the lots are also eligibly situated. For further particulars and the purchase of shares apply to

Kendig, Wainwright & Co.,
Agents for E. P. Jones, 276 Montgomery street. o2

AUCTIONEERS are hereby notified that their quarter ends on Monday, the 7th inst, and the State tax becomes due on that day. All dues not paid by the 14th inst, will be legally collected.

Proper forms can be obtained at the Treasurer's office.

George Endicott,
o3 10t County Treasurer.

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40 000 lbs NEW CORN free from weevil, 50 bbls superior draught ale, 50 boxes pearl starch, 10,000 lbs crushed sugar, 20,000 lbs brown do, 50 bbls dried apples, 2000 lbs sweet chocolate. Just received and for sale by

Pickett & Co.,
o3 foot of Jackson street wharf.

IRON Houses—4 Iron houses, 15x20, 15x30 and 15x40, for sale at a low price if applied for immediately, by

Hedley & Cozzens,
o3 3t Montgomery street.

People's Line for Sacramento City—Every afternoon from Cunningham's Wharf, at 4 o'clock, the well known fast sailing steamers NEW WORLD and SENATOR, will leave as follows:

New World, Capt Wakeman, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, returning from Sacramento to city, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 2 P. M.

Senator, Capt John Van Pelt, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, returning from Sacramento to city, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 2 P. M.

Freight or passengers taken at the lowest rates. Tickets can be had, and all information can be obtained by applying to the clerks on board, or to

Charles Minturn, Agent,
o1 On Cunningham's Wharf.

N. B. All persons are hereby notified that Messrs. Hawley & Co; are the only authorized Express on these boats, and all packages of value or gold dust left with the clerks, are at the risk of the parties leaving them, or of the parties to whom they belong. o2

SOUTHERN MINE LINE.—For *STOCKTON* Deck passage $16; touching at Benicia. The new and fast running steamboat *MARIPOSA*, Capt. Geo. S. Porter, will leave the end of Central wharf every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. precisely. Freight received on board storeship Anne, off California st, free of charge. Orders for freight will receive prompt attention if left at the office of

Geo. H. Howard,
o1 Central wharf.

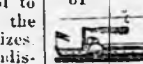
FOR SACRAMENTO CITY, touching at BENICIA.—The new steamer *FASHION*, Captain T. N Egiry, will leave her berth foot of Broadway, Clark's Point, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For freight or passage apply to F. Vassault & Co, Commercial Wharf, Clark's Point, or on board of the steamer.

Freight taken from any part of the city or harbor free of charge.

o1 F. Vassault & Co.

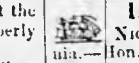
FOR STOCKTON.—The steamer *WM. ROBINSON*, Capt James Devoe, will leave Central wharf on Monday and Thursday of each week, at 4 o'clock. This boat has good accommodations—Ladies berths—and makes as good time as any on the route. Passage $16.

D. L. Ross,
o1 Exchange Buildings.



FOR STOCKTON—touching at Benicia—The new and fast running steamer *SAGAMORE*, Capt. Geo. D. Griffin, will leave Central wharf, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. For freight or passage apply to the Captain on board or to

G. M. BURNHAM,
o1 tf Central wharf.



IMPORTANT NEWS from NICARAGUA by the steamer California.—Hon. E. G. Squier, late Minister from the Government of the United States to Central America, reports that: "In passing from one ocean to the other, by way of Nicaragua, $15 will suffice to transport a passenger across the country. Tolerable accomodations may be obtained for about $9, and one may go across in a cart for $7. The Nicaragua route is by many a mile nearer to all the ports of the United States, and the salubrity of the climate must be deemed an advantage that Panama cannot possess."

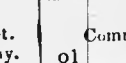
Ottinger & Brown have now a Regular Line of packets running between this port and *REALEJO*. For freight or passage apply to OTTINGER & BROWN,
o1 Commercial Buildings, Central Wharf.

England—The subscribers have now made arrangements to lay on a line of packets from Liverpool to San Francisco, by which passages may be secured to California, Oregon, Vancouver's Island, and the Sandwich Islands.

Those who may have no correspondence in England, can have goods or freight purchased or forwarded at the lowest rates, and with quick dispatch; or money invested in the funds or otherwise, as parties may desire.

Exchange on Great Britain, in sums to suit those wishing to make remittances, for sale.

Dixon, Forbes & Co,
Commission Merchants, san Francisco.
o1 Dixon, Brothers, Liverpool



Packets from Hamburg to San Francisco—This line of Packets consists of the well known vessels belonging to Messrs J C Godeffroy & son, of Hamburg. Persons residing in California who wish their friends to come to san Francisco, can secure their passage by applying to

Godeffroy, Sillem & Co,
o1 1m Nigntic Warehouses, foot of Clay st.

MRS. REGO & HAMMOND, Milliners and Dress makers; store on the northwest corner of Clay and Pike sts. have just received from New York, a choice assortment of splendid goods, consisting in part of silks, satins, velvets, ribbons, ladies fancy hats, artificial flowers, etc, etc, together with the most beautiful assortment of feathers and trimmings, to be found in San Francisco.

N. B. The subscribers are in receipt, by every steamer, of the latest New York and Paris fashions. o3 8t

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COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE—The copartnership heretofore existing between the subscribers under the firm of Cooke, Baker & Co., is dissolved by mutual consent, as far as relates to Robert S Baker. Joseph J. Cooke and Geo. Lewis Cooke are duly authorized to settle the affairs of the late firm. Signed.

Joseph J. Cooke,
Geo. Lewis Cooke,
Robert S. Baker.

San Francisco, Sept. 30, 1850.

NOTICE—The subscribers will continue the General Shipping and Commission business, under the firm of Cooke Brothers & Co. Signed,

Joseph J. Cooke,
Geo. Lewis Cooke,
San Francisco, Sept. 30, 1850. o2 6t*

DAVIS & Co., Keeping and Furnishing [illegible] ington street, between Montgomery and Sansome sts, have on hand, and are constantly receiving the following articles, viz:

Chandeliers, hanging lamps, side lamps, table lamps, solar lamps, Dixon & Son's britannia ware, britannia candlesticks, do tea and coffee urns, block tin coffee urns, French coffee pots, spice boxes, nut crackers, grocers tea chests, masons trowels, cocoa dippers, nut picks, scrub brusher, wash boards, planes, cedar tubs, pails, etc.; copper and blued tacks, door locks and bolts, hammers and hatchets, circular saws, mandrills and mortice machines, first rate article; turning lathes, spittoons, copper, brass, and pewter faucets, champagne openers, a new article; sardine do, do do; 120 lbs spring balances, coffin plates and plated screws, patent cots, tea bells, newspaper files, whisk brooms, etc., etc., swivel lamps, for ships and steamers; plated castors, 5, 6, and 7 bottles, silver and plated forks and silver tea and table spoons, for sale very low. Very fine boots and shoes, ladies shoes, Lemuel Gilbert's boudoir piano forte, one pair of splendid mirrors, bronzed iron hat racks, with chairs of the same; marble top centre tables, with iron pedestals, splendid gilt curtain, ornaments with clasps, bronzed and gilt candle brackets to fold, very fine cutlery in mahogany cases, egg-beaters, gold watches, double and single cases, gold guard and vest chains, diamond pins and rings. The jewelry will be sold cheap for cash. Beer pumps, plated with marble bases, with all the fixings, britannia beer mugs, hydraulic rams. Also, fresh pickled oysters, warranted, lobsters in cans, chickens do, pickles of all kinds, painted wash basins, etc., etc.

We are receiving constantly from one of the largest hardware and house furnishing establishments and tool warehouse in the United States. A full assortment of the above articles, which we offer for sale, wholesale and retail, at very low rates. Drafts on New York for sale. Gold dust bought, shipped and insured by

Davis & Co.,
o1 1m Washington street, near Sansome.

BUSINESS LOTS—On Central Wharf, near the head of the extension, piled and capped for building. Also, on Sacramento and Front streets, and the Central wharf basin, an excellent piled and capped lot. Lots on Clay street, between Davis & Front streets. To sell or lease, apply to A. O. Gay,

or Hervey G. Gordon,
Attorney and Counsellor at law, Wells & Co. Building, corner Clay and Montgomery streets. o2 2w*

WASHINGTON Restaurant.—GEO. W. LETTER takes pleasure in informing his friends and patrons that he has re-opened the Restaurant in Washington street, opposite the El Dorado, where he is now ready to serve up meals in good style and and reasonable charges to suit the most instidious. Every luxury the market affords will be provided, and he hopes to merit the reputation and success the house has heretofore sustained. The kitchen department will be under the direction of Mr. Wm. Forwood, of the Florence House, New York. o2 3t*

LAW BOOKS and Stationery.—Just received, a large invoice of law books, which we offer cheap for cash.

Civil code of Louisiana, New Clerk's Assistant, third edition; Louisiana digest, Starkie on evidence, Chitty on pleading, Blackstone's commentaries, Jarman on wills, Martins on reports, Kaupman's Mazkelky, Deslix's digest, Benjamin & Slidell's digest enlarged, Deslix's general Index from 1809 to 1843, together with a large assortment, too numerous to mention, for sale wholesale and retail by

Cooke & Lecount,
Booksellers and Stationers, Wells & Co. Buildings, Montgomery street o1

LARGE STOCK of Provisions.—EARL, MACKINTOSH & Co., Exchange Buildings, offer for sale,

500 bbls and hf bbls new mess pork, 2000 sacks Chili flour, 10,000 lbs hams, 20,000 lbs bacon, 500 bags barley, 500 boxes sperm candles, 200 bbls Chili peaches, 50 bbls dried apples, 100 kegs lard, 300 kegs butter, 50 bbls corn meal, 10,000 lbs cheese, 200 cans oysters, 2000 boxes sardines, 2000 gals molasses, 1000 tins crackers, 1000 sacks salt, 250 cases cider, 100 baskets champagne, 500 boxes raisins, 100 do ground pepper. o1 6t

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PUBLIC NOTICE—The undersigned have been appointed by deed of trust the Assignees of James S. Graham, of san Francisco. All persons indebted to him are required to make payment immediately, and those having claims against him will present the same to us for settlement.

San Francisco, sept. 6, 1850.

John B. Weller, } Assignees.
o1 F. Tilford, }

JUSTICE'S COURT. FIRST Township.—Philip W. Shepheard, Justice of the Peace for the First Township, county of san Francisco. Office in Gothic Hall, on Jackson street, next door to Montgomery st. Office hours, from 8 A.M to 6 P. M. Mr. D. W. Thompson, Deputy Marshal, is the officer attending this court.

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STORESHIP WM. GRAY—Storage on this storeship at the lowest rates. Apply to

J. Cowell & Co.
corner of Jackson and Sansome sts.
or Henry D. McCobb,
on board, foot of Battery st, near Buckelew's wharf. o1 1m

D GIBB, Importer and Commission Merchant, Brick building, Central Wharf, San Francisco.

Drafts for sale on Messrs. Watson, Thompson & Co, Glasgow, payable in London; Messrs. John Thomson, Watson & Co, Valparaiso. o1 3m

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J H. Blood & Co., Commission Merchants and Ship Agents. Office northwest corner Clay and Montgomery sts up stairs. o1 3m

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JOHN MCDOUGAL EUGENE F. GILLESPIE

MC Dougal & Gillespie, Auction and Commission Merchants, corner of Front and L sts, Sacramento city. o1 3m

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P Smith, M. D. & Theo. Dimond, M. D., office over Kelsey, Smith & Risley's store, north side of Clay street, second building above Montgomery street. o1

[illegible] located on Commercial [illegible] prepared to furnish gentlemen with every style of Hats of the best quality, and at the lowest California prices.

A practical hatter, Mr. O. H. Boyd, from the New York House, is always to be found on hand for the purpose of dressing gentlemen's hats after the latest styles.

A complete assortment of Gentlemen's furnishing and fancy goods constantly for sale.

T. P. Everitt, Agent,
o1 1m Commercial street.

LOANS—Cash advanced on bond and mortgage sales; purchases and exchanges of real estate effected; city scrip and state scrip bought and sold, or loans made thereon, the highest price being paid for either; approved commercial bills cashed at the lowest rate; temporary advances made on every kind of convertible security; gold dust bought; rents and notes collected; and all kinds of monetary operations effected with promptitude and dispatch.

F. Marriott & Co.,
Real Estate Agents and Loan Brokers, etc., Office opposite Burgoyne's banking house, Montgomery street. o1 1m

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RACING STOCK and Stud Horse.—The Proprietor, at the suggestion of several gentlemen, offers the following thorough-bred racing stock for disposal by lottery, to be drawn on TUESDAY, the 15th day of October next, at the Delmonico, at 10 o'clock, A. M.:

The Black Swan, Lady Clifton and foal, own sister to the stud horse Chloroform; and the stud horse Chloroform.

260 tickets at $25 each—three prizes.

For tickets application to be made to T. Behrens, merchant, Montgomery st.

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WELLS & CO, Bankers, corner of clay and montgomery sts, draw bills on Willis & co, Boston; Drew, Robinson & co, New York; Ludlow, Beebe & co, Phila; Greenway & co, Balt'e; Ellis & Morton, Cincinnati; Loker, Renick & co, St. Louis; Robinson & co, Buffalo; Washburn & co, Albany; H A Rathbone, New Orleans; Maclean, Maris & co, London; and at banks in Hartford, New Haven, New London, Providence, Worcester, Plymouth, New Bedford, Salem, Portsmouth, Portland, Bangor, Keene, Concord, Bellows' Falls and Woodstock.

Gold dust shipped and insured to New York. o1 tf

MAPS, Flags, Gold Leaf, Chinese Goods, ladies and gentlemen's gloves, stationery, purses, portemonies, jewelry, fancy and musical goods of every variety, strings, reeds, bows, flutes, drums, guitars, pianos, melodeons, accordions, fluteneas, flageolets, brass instruments, umbrellas, pictures, paintings, together with a large selection of fashionable music for piano, and every other instrument.

☞ Papers from all parts of the States for sale immediately on the arrival of each steamers, wholesale and retail.

Pianos tuned and repaired. Musicians procured and bands supplied.

Atwill & Co,
o1 2tm&w Post Office Building.

DISSOLUTION of Copartnership. The Copartnership heretofore existing under the name and firm of Still, Conner & Co. is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business in san Francisco will hereafter be conducted by John H. Still, who is duly empowered to settle the affairs of the concern. The business in Sacramento will be conducted under the name and firm of Forrest & Conner.

John H. Still,
John W. Conner,
by J. O. Forrest, his at'ty.
James O. Forrest,

N. B. All persons having claims on the firm of Still & Conner, or Still, Conner & Co are requested to present the same for payment, and those indebted to said firm are requested to call and adjust the same witout delay.

John H. Still.
San Francisco, Oct. 1, 1850. 4t

CARGO of ship MEMNON, from New York—

100 bales brown sheeting, 200 bales brown drills, 400 bbls Stuart's crushed sugar, 50 tierces Stuart's sugar house syrup, 400 hf bbls clear pork, 50 tierces hams, 80 bbls kiln dried meal, 100 tins wine biscuit, 100 boxes water crackers, 60 bbls white wine vinegar, 150 hf bbls and kegs do, 100 boxes pickles assorted, 100 kegs onions, 12 hf bbls sour crout, 40 bales hair mattresses, 1500 bbls cement, 20 M hard bricks, 200 tons coal, 10 pkgs glazed window sashes, invoice wood mouldings, 12 stove trucks, invoice wooden ware, as tubs, pails, brooms, grain measures, boxes, etc. Also, 1000 bbls and 500 hf bbls of that superior brand, Gallego flour, 600 boxes Croton mills do, for sale by

F. C. Sanford,
o1 1m foot Pine street.

SBEEBEE LUDLOW & CO., Exchange Brokers and Bankers, have removed to Van Dyke & Belden's fire proof building, in Clay street, 2d door from the corner of Montgomery street.

Drafts on Beebee, Ludlow & Co., New York; Ludlow, Beebee & Co, Philadelphia, Josiah Lee, Baltimore, for sale, and in all the principal cities, in sums to suit, by

S. Beebee, Ludlow & Co.,
o1 tf Clay st, 2d door from Montgomery

SIGHT DRAFTS on New York, London, Amsterdam, and other principal cities of the United States and Europe, for sale by

Gildemeester, de Fremery & Co.
Howison's wharf, foot of Sacramento street. o1 1m

I WILL OFFER For Sale at Public auction, on the 5th day of October, 1850, at the court-house, in Martinez, Contra Costa county, twenty-five town lots, the property of the heirs of William Welch, deceased. Terms and location will be made known on the day of sale.

Joseph Swanson,
Administrator of the Estate of William Welch, deceased.
Martinez, 9 th August, 1850. o1 5t

C. V. Gillespie, Notary Public, India Stores, entrance in Sansome street, near California. o1

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... young woman, aged about nineteen or twenty years, was found dangerously sick in a wagon in the back part of the city, yesterday morning. All we could learn about her was the information given by a man who had charge of the wagon, but who was not the owner. He had learned somehow that she had come over the plains this year, in company with a train of immigrants who stopped at Placerville, and that she came to this city in the wagon in in which she was found. The owner of the wagon had abandoned it, and it is not known where he is. Her piteous condition was stated to Dr. Cronin, who made efforts to get her into several hotels in this city, but was unsuccessful. He then had her removed to an unoccupied room in a building on K, between Third and Fourth streets, where she was last evening undergoing medical treatment. A lady kindly volunteered to stay with her through the night; Dr. Cronin also being obliged to remain, as the critical condition of the patient required his constant attendance.—[Transcript.

A Large Train.—There are leaving, daily, large trains, with supplies for the mines. Yesterday we observed some forty mules, under charge of their owner, heavily packed with provisions, designed for the trade along the North Fork of Feather river. The weight of the merchandise was probably six thousand pounds. A gentleman who stood by, but whose name we have forgotten, remarked that he gave away to suffering emigrants about that amount of provisions whilst trading in Carson Valley. He and his partners had taken out about fourteen thousand pounds of provisions, of which they had been compelled to give away, to those who were absolutely suffering and had no available means, at least five thousand pounds. The names of those who have acted thus generously are worthy of being published, and the gentlemen themselves are entitled to the thanks of a feeling public.—[Transcript.

Mining Intelligence.—We learn that new diggings have been recently discovered in the vicinity of Placerville, a part of which are quite productive. Four men took out about $400 for several days in succession. The diggings are located near the top of one of the highest hills about the place, which indicates quite clearly that the whole earth in that vicinity contains more or less of the "dust." The gold that has been found in the new diggings is quite coarse, and is found in a strata of earth about sixteen feet below the surface. It was discovered by some of the newly arrived immigration, which is another evidence that gold mining here cannot be conducted upon purely scientific principles. Old miners could not have been induced to dig where these men dug, on the top of a hill, and yet we have an evidence that they struck a good lead. Immediately after the news was made public thousands flocked to the spot, and in an hour not less than five acres of ground were regularly staked off into claims. —[Transcript.

Incendiarism.—The "Palace," on Second street, was fired early yesterday evening. Owing to its timely discovery, and prompt action, the fire was extinguished before it did any damage. The building stands next to the Tehama Theatre, and as all the houses in that quarter of the city are built of wood, they must have been consumed, but for the early discovery.

Another alarm was raised about ten o'clock, which proceeded from a vessel lying abreast Washington. Some of the upper works were burned, before it was extinguished. As there has been no communication with Washington since, we have not learned the damage.

About half past 10 o'clock the cook room, in rear of the "Gem," was discovered to be on fire. The cloth ceiling was burned over head, but the fire was fortunately extinguished before any serious damage occurred. This fire was caused, probably, by a snuff from a candle, which fell from a room above, as there had been a light there just previously.—[Transcript.

☞ **A new steamer for California, of 400 tons burthen, is now building in Baltimore for a company. She is to run between Panama and San Francisco, as the first of a new line of steamers on that route. Her dimensions are 150 feet on deck, with a breadth of beam 26 feet 8 inches. This splendid vessel is to be called the "Pampero," and will be commanded by Lieut. Hunter, of the U. S. Navy.**

TO ASSASSINATE LOUIS NAPOLEON.—The Paris correspondent of the London Times, says:

My letter of this morning will have informed you of the arrest of the young man named George Alfred Walker, for having, according to his own avowal, contemplated the assassination of the President of the Republic, by shooting him with a pistol as he issued from his residence in the Elysee. It was about 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon, and at the moment that Col. Vaudrey, aid-de-camp of the President, was proceeding in a carriage from the court yard of the Elysee into the rue Foubourgh St. Honore, that the young man alluded to was seen approaching rapidly towards the carriage, into which he appeared to look with much earnestness. At the same moment he plunged his hand into his bosom, and seemed to be grasping something which was concealed in the left pocket of his great coat. His face was pale and haggard, as if from intense excitement or recent dissipation. As he stood sufficiently close to the carriage to ascertain, without the possibility of mistake, the persons that occupied it, he as suddenly drew back, and moved along in the direction of the rue Miromesnil. There are always stationed in the neighborhood of the President's residence a number of police agents dressed in plain clothes, but who are sufficiently known by the *habitues* of the place. One of these men had observed the motions of Walker, and his last movement naturally roused his suspicions that something was wrong, though he states that the idea of his having to do with an assassin did not occur to him. The police agent followed him to the corner of the rue Meromesnil, but before he had time to accost him, Walker went up to him, and the following conversation occurred:

"Are you a police agent?"

"What business is that of yours? why do you wish to know?"

"If you are what I believe you to be," said the young man, "I wish you to take me into custody. Arrest me instantly. This is the second time I have missed him, and I'll have nothing more to do with the business. I came here this day with the full determination to assassinate the President & the Republic! I have been waiting at his door since 12 o'clock; but to all appearance, destiny will not have it that my design be accomplished, for, half an hour ago, when another carriage left the Elysee, I had my pistol cocked, and was on the point of firing, when I perceived it was not the President who was before me."

These words were spoken in a short, hoarse and abrupt tone of voice, and betrayed the extreme agitation of mind under which the speaker labored. The first act of the police agent (whose name is Lambert) was to lay hold of the lad with one hand, while with the other he felt his person outside the paletot; he found that he was actually armed with a pistol. He drew the weapon from his pocket, and ascertained that it was loaded, capped and at full cock. All this passed between the two without any of the persons near them being aware of what was going on. The agent instantly led his prisoner to the office of the Commissary of Police attached to the quarter of the Presidency. The lad there repeated his story, said that his name was George Alfred Walker, that he was 17 years old, a compositor by trade, and that he resided in the rue Cherubini, No. 3, and lived with his parents.

In reply to a question as to the motive that induced him to contemplate the perpetration of such a crime as that which he avowed having meditated, he replied, that he had for a long time past entertained the idea; that he had had various dreams in which it was announced that his destiny impelled him to destroy the life of the President, through whose fault it was that the "good Republic" was not established; that, however, on several occasions, he had observed that the President's life seemed to have been protected by an influence superior to his own will; and that what had occurred that day, when on two different occasions he perceived the President was not in either of the carriages that left the Elysee, convinced him that the deed was not to be accomplished by him, and that it was then he made up his mind to surrender himself and avow his designs.

As I write, additional information on the subject of Walker reaches me. It appears that the physicians appointed to examine him report that he is somewhat deranged, or rather, that he has been laboring under monomania. He believed it to be his vocation to kill Louis Napoleon.

Attempted Murder and Robbery.—On Sunday night last, a German came to the Twelve Mile House, on the Auburn road, and put up for the night. The next morning he left, taking the road towards this city. Shortly after he left, another man passed the same house, having with him a mule and some baggage, who was also travelling towards this city. It appears that he overtook the German after travelling three or four miles, when they both came on together. After they had continued in company a short time the German drew a pistol and shot his companion in the back of the head. The pistol was loaded with buck shot, which took effect in several places, and completely stunned the man, causing him to fall to the ground, as if dead. The German then commenced rifling his baggage. Before he had finished a team hove in sight, and he fled. The teamster came up, found the wounded man, and then returned to the Twelve Mile House, where he gave the alarm. Several men immediately started in pursuit of the assassin, but they did not succeed in finding him. He was seen afterwards, however, on the way to this city.

The wounded man has been brought to town, and we understand is likely to recover. He had but a small amount of money with him when assassinated, which the German did not find before he was frightened away. —[Transcript.

STRANGE SUICIDE.—A daughter aged 12, of George Grissell of Rensselaer, Ind., committed suicide by hanging herself. She had accidentally broken a crock, and was afraid of punishment. She dressed herself in suitable burial clothes, and telling her little brother that she would never break another crock, she got upon the bed, tied a bridle to the joist, fastened it around her neck, and jumped off. Her brother succeeded in replacing her upon the bed, but she jumped off the second time, and before he could obtain assistance she was dead.

☞ Messrs. Maunsel White & Son, of New Orleans, who have been Gen. Taylor's agents for 20 years, contradict the statements relative to his pecuniary affairs, and assert that he leaves bank stocks and other valuable property to the amount of $200,000. He never gave a note in his life, and died without owing a dollar.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE of California, District of the County of Santa Clara: Jose De Arnaz vs. Genoveva Garcia Mangel, Emanuel Mangel and Lorenzo Geoffrey. Petition to foreclose mortgage, &c.:

Whereas, JOSE DE ARNAZ filed in this Court on the 16th day of May, 1850, his petition, showing, among other things, that on the 20th day of December, 1849, Genoveva Garcia Mangel, the wife of Emanuel Mangel, was the owner in fee of a certain house and lot in San Jose, adjoining and in the rear of the house lately occupied by Messrs. Larrain, Benitez & Co., and fronting on Garcia street, did on that day mortgage the same, with the consent of Emanuel Mangel, her husband, to said Arnaz, to secure the sum of five hundred and sixty dollars, payable four months from date: That afterwards, on or about the 15th day of January, 1850, said Emanuel Mangel and Genoveva G. Mangel executed a mortgage on the same premises to one Geoffrey, of San Francisco, for about fourteen hundred dollars; which said mortgage was falsely dated the 19th of December, 1849, with intent to defeat the prior mortgage lien on said real estate, and to cheat and defraud said petitioner out of his debt. Said petitioner prays discovery and full answer to the above facts, that said mortgage to Geoffrey be set aside as fraudulent, and that said premises be sold to pay petitioners's mortgage, and for general relief.

And it being proved by affidavit to the satisfaction of this Court that Emanuel Mangel is a non-resident of this State, notice is hereby given to Emanuel Mangel to be and appear before the Honorable Court of the Third Judicial District, for the County of Santa Clara, on the fourth Monday of December, 1850, at the court house in San Jose, then and there to answer said petition, or, in default thereof, the allegation therein contained will be heard in your absence and decreed accordingly..

Given under my hand and private seal, there being no seal of office yet provided at this office, this 24th of May, A. D. 1850.

L. S.

je1 H. C. MALONE, Clerk.

BOOKSTORE—Wilson & Spalding, Stationers' Hall, Portsmouth bsuare, san Francisco, and also at their Branch Establishments on Front st, Sacramento city, and on ——— st, in the city of Stockton, offer for sale.

BOOKS, wholesale and retail, on liberal terms, a great variety, making the most splendid collection of 50,000 volumes, consisting in part of law and medical books, histories, poems, novels, works on science, mathematics, form books, Business Man's Assistant, Clerks' do, Well's Lawyer, the Ready Reckoner, etc.

Spanish, French and German books, school books, Sanders, Cobb's and Emerson's series.

Stationery, blank books, record books, journals, ledgers, day-books, pocket memorandums, visiting cards, playing cards, drawing paper, maps of gold regions, view of san Francisco, pictures, cap and letter paper, envelopes, gold and steel pens, ink, wafers, etc, and a general assortment of other articles in their line, which they are receiving by every steamer.

N.B. Invoices purchased on liberal terms, and consignments of books and stationery received on commission.

References.—Ernest Zachrisson, Esq, Messrs. Habicht & co, Ward & Price, New York; Zachrisson & co, Panama; G Schmidt, Esq, New Orleans; Ward, Marsh & co, Bosange, Collard & co, san Francisco.

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☞ ELECTION NOTICE.—In pursuance of the provisions of the Act to regulate Elections, and the proclamation of the Governor of this state:

Notice is given that a general Election will be held in and for and for the county of san Francisco, on the 7th day of October next, for the election of

An Attorney General, vice E. J. C. Kewen,

A Clerk of the Supreme Court

A Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A Senator for this Senatorial District.

A District Attorney for the Fourth Judicial District, vice Calhoun Benham, whose term of office expires.

Five members of Assembly for said county

A Judge of the Superior court for the city of san Francisco, vice P. A. Morse, whose term of office expires; and

A Harbor Master for the port of san Francisco.

The two last named officers to be chosen by the qualified voters of the city of san Francisco.

Provision is also made by law for taking the sense of the people upon the subject of the permanent location of the State government at said election by ballot, on which must be printed or written the name of the person whose proposition the elector may wish to be adopted, or the name of the place desired for that purpose.

Roderick N. Morrison,
County Judge.

San Francisco, Sept. 7, 1850. o1

F. Argenti & Co., Bankers, San Francisco, Montgomery st., between Clay and Commercial, refer to and draw on—

Brown, Brothers & co, New York,
Brown, Shipley & co, Liverpool,
Samuel Nicholson & co, New Orleans,
Alex. Brown & sons, Baltimore,
Browns & Bowen, Philadelphia,
Jas. Adger & co, Charleston,
Morrell & Dickey, Mobile,
T. B. Curtis, Esq, Boston,
Geo. B. Cumming, Savannah.

Gold dust bought or insured, and forwarded to the U. States at the lowest rates. o1

FRED. A. WOODWORTH. CHAS. A. MORRIS.

WOODWORTH & MORRIS.

Shipping and Commission Merchants.

[Clay street Wharf.]

Strict attention paid to the purchase, sale freight or charter of ships and vessels, and sale of ships, cargoes and merchandise generally. The locality of their warehouse admits of goods being landed and again reshipped, without expense of cartage, thus saving an important item of charges, both to consignees and purchasers. GOLD DUST bought at the highest market rates. DRAFTS on New York for sale, in sums to suit purchasers. Storage for every description of merchandize. o1 †

VALUABLE LOT ON SACRAMENTO street, to be leased—The subscribers offer to lease, for one or more years, a lot on the south side of sacramento street, between montgomery and Leidsdorff streets, 31½ feet front, and 137½ feet deep, with the privilege of an alley seven feet wide.

Cooke, Baker & co,
o1 tf Brick store, california st.

THE VERANDAH RESTAURANT, in Johnson's Building, at the corner of Kearny and Washington sts, and opposite the El Dorado, is now open for the reception of visiters. Those who may be pleased to patronize our establishment, will we trust, have no cause to complain of our *Fare*, as the tables shall be supplied with the viands and delicacies of the market, and our bar furnished with the choicest wines and liquors. Come and see.

o1 tf Atkins, Newcomb & Co.

MRS. McGOWAN solicits the patronage of the ladies and gentlemen of san Francisco, who may want their own hair, or that of their friends, braided into bracelets, necklaces, guard chains, ear rings, finger rings, etc, etc. Specimens of work can be seen at her residence, first house beyond Mr. Truebody's two story brick house, top of Washington st, san Francisco. o1 7t*

WM. G. KETTELLE, General Commission Merchant, No. 3 Brannan Row, montgomery street, offers for sale the following goods received per recent arrivals, viz—6000 lbs superior dried apples, 3000 lbs chocolate, 500 bbls lime, paints, white lead, brushes, patent medicine, superior hair mattresses, double and single, pillows, blankets, clear pork, boots and shoes, candy, 125 M ft lumber, etc, etc, etc.

Also, valuable Real Estate in Eureka city, Humboldt Bay. o1 8t

MALAGA RAISINS—2000 boxes fresh *Malaga* raisins just received, and for sale by PICKETT & Co,
o1 10t foot Jackson street.

CHILI FLOUR—Fresh Chili Flour afloat, for sale, in lots to suit purchasers, by

Carroll & McDowell,
Montgomery street, next to Ross' brick building. o1 1m

COPARTNERSHIP—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm of Cooke & Lecount, for the purpose of carrying on the wholesale and retail stationery business in general. They have leased the fire proof store in Wells & co's Buildings, Montgomery st, next door to Wells & Co's Banking House.

Wm. B. Cooke,
o1 tf J. J. Lecount.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE—The undersigned having formed a copartnership for the purpose of carrying on the grocery business under the name and style of Saville & Washburn, No 7 Boston Row, sansome street, respectfully solicit a share of patronage.

Wm. O. Saville,
Jas. M. Washburn.

San Francisco, sept 14, 1850. o1 3t

THE copartnership heretofore existing under the name of Pickett & co, is hereby dissolved, W. H. Palmer retires from the firm, on account of ill health. The business of the late firm will be settled by Wm. Pickett, who is hereby authorized to use the name of the firm in settlement.

Signed, William Pickett,
W. H. Palmer.

The undersigned will continue the business of the late firm, as heretofore, under the name and style of Pickett & co.

Signed, William Pickett & co.

San Francisco, Sept 16, 1850. o1 4t*

ASSIGNEES NOTICE—By an instrument bearing date the 2d Sept inst, the subscribers have been appointed assignees of the estate of Henry Howison, of San Francisco. All persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present the same to either of the undersigned within thirty days, or they will be excluded from the benefit of this assignment; and all parties indebted are requested to make payment at the banking house of James King of William.

James King of Wm,
Edward Vischer,
o1 2w William Meyer.

TREASURER'S NOTICE—All persons who have not paid their State and County Taxes, are hereby notified, that the same are due, and if not satisfied within the proper time, payment of the same with damages, will be legally enforced.

The tax on Personal Property must be paid before the first Monday in October, and on Real Estate before the first Monday in November.

The amount levied is as follows: For State purposes, one half of one per cent; for county purposes, one quarter of one per cent; for the building fund, one quarter of one per cent; State and County Poll Tax, eight dollars.

George Endicott,
County Treasurer, at the head of Central Wharf. o1 1st†

NOTICE—The books of the City Assessor are placed in the hands of the subscriber, in accordance with the ordinance passed April 7th, 1850. Public notice is hereby given that the books are open for the inspection of tax payers, at the office of the clerk of the City Council, corner of 7th and I streets, for the space of ten days. Notice is hereby given to all those agrieved, to make application to the Common Council of this city at the first regular meeting after the expiration of the said ten days. Common Council Chamber, Sacramento City, Aug 27, 1850.

Thos. H. Pyott,
o1 Clerk Common Council.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE—By a deed executed July 15th, 1850, the undersigned have been appointed Assignees for John M Finley, Chas. H Johnson and Joseph W Auston, trading under the style and firm of Finley, Johnson & co.

The creditors of the firm are hereby requested to present their claims as soon as possible, and all parties indebted to said firm, will please make an early settlement with either. July 16th, 1850.

John F. Spence,
o1 tf H. Ray Bowie.

NOTICE to Shipmasters and Owners.—We, the undersigned, shipwrights of san Francisco, have completed our arrangements for heaving out vessels of any size, that may need overhauling from keel to light water. Mr. Thompson, a master rigger, may be found on board the ship Pico, south side Rincon Point, at all times, who will give immediate attention to orders left with him, or orders left at Hawley, Sterling & co's, foot of Sacramento street, will be attended to.

s30 1m* Hudson, Smith & Lester.

PROVISIONS—JAMES B. WEIR, grocer and commission merchant, clay st, near montgomery, has constantly in store, and receiving daily, fresh supplies of goods suitable for traders.

Also, ship and miners' stores.

N.B. Just received, a superior lot of Goshen butter. Also, cheese and lard in tins. o1 3t*

STATE Marine Hosptial—The Commissioners of Health for the port of San Francisco, have taken the building on Stockton street, lately known and occupied as the American Hotel, and have converted the same into a State Marine Hospital.

The public are informed that the Hospital is now open for the reception of patients.

The public authorities of the city of San Francisco, who have charge of the city poor, citizens, and all persons not entitled to hospital privileges, are also informed that patients will be admitted at this hospital for the moderate sum of $20 per week, in advance, including board, lodging and medica attendance.

For admission, apply at the Hospital, to the Resident Physician.

Lorenzo Hubbard, M. D.,
Resident Physician.

N. B. No patient laboring under an infectious or contagious disease will be treated at this Hospital, but a suitable place will be provided for them, on application as above. o1

FOR SALE—A Corrugated Iron Store, 30x60; will sell less than freight and duties. Also, for sale, a fine piano, very melodious, will sell very cheap. Apply to W. SCHLEIDEN,
on Broadway, between Dupont and Stockton streets, or at his office, opposite the Custom house. o1

PROCLAMATION.

THE GOVERNOR of the State of California:—To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting: Know Ye—That in pursuance of law, there will be held, throughout the State of California, on MONDAY, the 7th day of October, a General Election, for the election of the following Officers, Senators, and Members of the Assembly, to wit:

One Clerk of the Supreme Court.

One Superintendent of Public Instruction.

One Attorney General to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. E. J. C. Kewen.

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

One District Attorney for each of the following Judicial Districts, composed of the following counties, to wit:

1. San Diego and Los Angeles.
2. Santa Barbara and San Louis Obispo.
3. Monterey, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara and Contra Costa.
4. San Francisco.
5. Calaveras, Tuolumne, San Joaquin and Mariposa.
6. Sacramento and El Dorado.
7. Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano and Mendocino.
8. Yolo, Sutter and Yuba.
9. Butte, Colusi, Trinity and Shasta.

SENATORS.

One Senator from each of the following Senatorial Districts, composed of the following counties:

1. San Diego.
5. Santa Cruz and Contra Costa.
6. San Francisco.
7. San Joaquin.
10. Mariposa.
11. Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Mendocino, Yolo, Colusi and Trinity.
12. Sacramento.
15. Butt and Shasta.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

County of San Diego, one; Los Angeles, two; San Luis Obispo, one; Santa Barbara, two; Monterey, one; Santa Cruz, one; Santa Clara, two; Contra Costa, one; San Francisco, five; San Joaquin, two; Calaveras, two; Tuolmne, three; Mariposa, two; Marin, one; Sonoma, one; Napa, one; Solano, one; Mendocino, one; Sacramento, three; El Dorado, two; Sutter, one; Yuba, one; Butte, one; Shasta, one; and the counties of Yolo, Colusi and Trinity, one;

One Harbor Master for the Port of San Francisco.

The Clerk of the Supreme Court, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Attorney General, are elected by the vote of the whole State, Senators and District Attorneys by the vote of their respective Districts, and Members of Assembly by the vote of their respective counties, except the counties of Yolo, Colusi and Trinity, which together elect one member of Assembly. The Harbor Master is elected by the vote of the city of San Francisco.

Given under my hand at the Pueblo de San Jose, the sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the United States, the seventy fifth.

PETER H. BURNETT,
o1 te Governor of California.

THE PEOPLE of the State of California: To John Pile. By order of the District Court of the county of san Joaquin, at the May term thereof, A.D, 1850, You are hereby summoned to be and appear before said court, on the 4th Monday after the second Monday of November next ensuing, to answer Mary Anne Murray, of a bill of complaint exhibited against you and a certain Henry Lyne, and filed in the Clerk's Office of said court on the 14th day of May, A.D, 1850, by Mary Anne Murray, plaintiff, for the foreclosure of you, the said John Pile and the said Henry Lyne, of and from all equity of redemption of, in and to certain property situated in the town of Stockton, described in a mortgage executed by you to the said Murray, bearing date the 15th day of October, A.D, 1849; and you are notified that unless you appear at the time and place mentioned, and answer to said complaint, the same will be taken for confessed, and a decree entered accordingly.

A. C. BRADFORD, Clerk.

E. L. B. Brooks, for plaintiff. o1*

IN JUSTICE'S COURT.—Before Brown, George W. Bushnell vs. M. Expert, M. Massurier, and his sons. SAME COURT—William B. White vs. same defendants. To M. Expert, M. Massurier, and his sons, defendants in the above causes:

Complaints in these two causes were filed in my office, san Francisco, California, by said Bushnell and White respectively, Aug 16th, 1850, against you, as owners of the bark Gustave, for a breach of your contract, made in May last, with said Bushnell and White, respectively, have been issued by me, returnable the 22d of August, 1850. August 16th, aforesaid, said bark, tackle, &c. was levied upon, by virtue thereof.—You are required to appear and answer said complaint, February 24th, 1851, at 10 o'clock, A.M, of that day, at my office.

H. S. Brown,
o1 6in23d Justice of the Peace.

FIRE APPARATUS For Sale—A first class forcing suction engine and hose carriage, with all appurtenances, and 625 feet new rivcted hose. The whole in complete order, and now ready for immediate use. Winter & Latimer,

Next door to Cross, Hobson & co, sansome street. o1